



Cefixime (Suprax)

About your medicine:

Cefixime is used to treat bacterial infections in many different parts of the body. This medicine will not work for colds, flu, or other viral infections. It may be used to treat other problems as determined by your healthcare provider. These instructions will help you receive the optimum benefits from Cefixime.

Before taking this medication:

Tell your doctor, nurse or healthcare provider if you...

- Have any allergies to medications (especially cephalosporins and penicillin)
- Take any other medications
- Have medical condition (especially kidney or eye problems)
- Are pregnant, breast-feeding or trying to become pregnant
- History of convulsions

Possible side effects of this medicine:

If these symptoms continue or become severe, call your health care provider...

- Nausea, vomiting, diarrhea
- Gas
- Indigestion
- Dyspepsia (upset stomach)
- Abdominal pain
- Muscle cramps, stiffness, spasms
- If your symptoms do not improve within a few days, notify your healthcare provider

How to take this medicine:

- This is the only dose of this medicine you will receive
- Take this medication with a full glass (8 ounces) of water, preferably after a meal
- DO NOT take with milk or other dairy products, or any products containing magnesium or calcium (such as antacids), iron or aluminum within 2 hours of the time you take this medicine
- Drink several additional glasses of water today

Warning:

Call a healthcare professional immediately if you develop any of the following:

- Difficulty breathing
- Hives/skin rash

Sexual Behavior:

Abstain from any type of sexual activity for 7 days after treatment of self and partner

Gonococcal infections of the pharynx:

Cefixime is not the first line therapy for gonorrhea treatment. Cefixime is an alternative treatment for gonorrhea and is used for expedited partner therapy (EPT) because an injection is not an option for EPT. Those diagnosed with gonorrhea and their partners who have a history of oral sex exposure, should be seen by a medical provider and treated with an injection.

For more information, contact the NDDoH STD Program at 701.328.2378 or toll-free 800.472.2180.